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SUBJECT: SAUDI/JAPANESE JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

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- 1. JAPANESE ARE INDEED INVOLVED IN ON-GOING PROJECT AT THE RIYADH VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTER. PROJECT, AS WE UNDERSTAND IT, IS MAINLY PROVISION OF EQUIPMENT IN THE ELECTRONIC FIELD (PRIMARILY RADIO AND TV), AND EXPERTS TO INTERPRET MANUALS AND PROVIDE ON-SITE INSTRUCTION. THE JAPANESE PROPOSED, AT THE RECENT JAPANESE/SAUDI MEETING (JIDDA 0657), THAT THIS PROJECT BE EXPANDED TO PROVIDE FOR ASSISTANCE IN OPENING A TV AND RADIO DEPARTMENT AT THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTER, TO PROVIDE EXPERTS, AND TO DONATE TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT. WE HAVE ONLY SEEN THIS BRIEF OVERVIEW OF JAPANESE PLANS.
- 2. DEPMINLAB AL FAYEZ HAS COMMENTED IN THE PAST ON HOW MUCH HE IS IMPRESSED BY THE JAPANESE NOW WORKING IN RIYADH. HE SAID THEY ARE HANDLED COMPLETELY BY THE JAPANESE EMBASSY, WHICH PAYS FOR ALL IN-COUNTRY TRAVEL, ARRANGES FOR HOUSING IN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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RIYADH HOTELS, YET WHEN THE TECHNICIANS WISH TO

TAKE LEAVE, THEY ASK AL FAYEZ'S APPROVAL.

- 3. WE UNDERSTAND THAT MCGUERTY OF DEPARTMENT OF LABOR IS AWARE OF THIS PROJECT, AND THAT JECOR VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROJECT DELIBERATELY AVOIDED RADIO/TV AREA,
- 4. EMBASSY WILL ASK USREP MONITOR IN RIYADH TO PROVIDE MORE DETAILS ON JAPANESE PROJECT, IF AVAILABLE. PORTER

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